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What saved the Union was the coming forward of the young men of the nation. They came from their homes and their fields as they did in the time of the Revolution, giving everything to their country—Hon. U. S. Grant.

THE POINT IN THIS CAMPAIGN

Honolulu's most pressing political duty just now is to elect city and county officials who can be relied upon for efficiency and square dealing.

As this paper has repeatedly urged, the selection and election of the county ticket is of more vital importance than any other question that confronts the electorate. The government of Honolulu for the next two years is in more need of personal attention from the people than any territorial or legislative fight.

Every campaign is apt to be exaggerated into a "crisis," and its result to be held as either the "death-blow" or the "victory" of good government. The territory will worry for the next two years, no matter how the election goes, but a real crisis confronts the city and county of Honolulu and Honolulu will not prosper under a continuation of the last two years of misgovernment. The efforts of worthy supervisors have been nullified by the efforts of unworthy supervisors, and their squabbles have extended to the entire administration of municipal affairs.

The one thing that stands out supreme in this campaign is the immediate duty of the voters to turn out the inefficient and put in the efficient.

POLITICS FROM THE PULPIT

Fresh interest is lent to the much-discussed topic of whether or not ministers of the gospel should deal with politics by the national campaign and the lesser campaigns under way on the mainland. With Woodrow Wilson, a minister's son, heading one great party, the editors of several religious journals seemed to have been swayed in their estimate of him as a man partly by the fact of his paternity. On the other hand, leading editorial writers of religious journals declare that while sin in industrialism and politics should be pointed out, the ministers have no right to favor one candidate or another in pulpit utterances. The Continent of Chicago, a Presbyterian organ, makes no bones of its attitude in the following:

"It is high time to have done with mawkish folly about damage to the sacredness of the high calling of the gospel ministry. Elijah had a reasonably high call, and he did not defile its sacredness by his high-handed war against a profligate court and the debauched politics of his time. Is that illustration from a source too remote in time to be of vital interest? Take one from our own day. Henry Ward Beecher and George B. Cheever had a high call of God to a gospel work which they honored with their rare gifts. But no false sense of the sacredness of their call kept them from waging fierce war with all the ardor of their lives against the giant political iniquities rooted in African slavery in America. Such an exhibition as has been made of political methods by the months just passed is a disgrace to a cultured, educated Christian people. We may care nothing for men or parties; we do care for national honor. The need for a prophet-voice has come once more. The United States needs an Amos and a Jeremiah who will cry out for clean politics, for non-partisan government, for officers who can and will sink personality and personal ambitions out of sight, and look and work only for the public weal. Who can cry out so effectively as the Christian minister? What agency can sound so clear a note as the religious paper? The hour has struck when the church should begin to stand for the principles which the Founder of the church preached. Roscoe Conkling sneered at 'Sunday-school politics,' but the time for sneering has gone forever and ever by. Righteousness exalteth a nation. Sin is a reproach

to any people. And the religious man or the religious paper which holds its peace in the crisis to which political iniquity has brought us will be recreant to the highest duty of the times."

ECONOMY--FOR POLITICS ONLY

Four members of the board of supervisors last night forced, through second reading the ordinance creating a new city job and adding a new salary to the city payroll. The four were Murray, McClellan, Kruger and Amana.

Three members of the board refused to stand for the ordinance, voting against it. The three were Arnold, Dwight and Low.

The ordinance was passed, but it is passed with the supervisors stripped of their only excuse for its existence. The majority has contended that the board must make a report to the legislature, and this ordinance creates a special clerk, who is, presumably, to compile the report.

Direct statements that the law requiring this report has been repealed brought not one denial from the board, not one statement of contrary proof. Even the deputy city attorney, when Chairman Low asked him whether or not there was legal requirement for the report, squirmed visibly in his chair and answered that there was only "indirect" requirement, and when questioned further he declared that he was unwilling to give an off-hand opinion to be taken as final. He admitted frankly that there is a legal question involved.

Yet the four men constituting the majority of the board jammed the ordinance through without any opinion from the city's legal department as to whether or not it is necessary.

Murray, deputy city attorney, has been the majority's errand-boy in getting figures as to what the new job is going to cost the city. Last night he presented figures showing that the cost will be somewhere from \$200 to \$240 a month.

So these four supervisors are prepared to "put over" an ordinance involving three thousand dollars or more expense to the city yearly without knowing whether it is required by law and in the face of a direct statement to the board that it is not required by law.

And within ten minutes of jamming this ordinance through last night, the board listened to complaints from responsible citizens of Manoa who asked relief from "intolerable road conditions, who declared that Manoa has been suffering for road and street work for more than a year without attention.

The complainants got the answer that "everybody is grabbing at the bag and we must economize."

Part of this economy, it seems, is the plan on the part of Murray, McClellan, Kruger and Amana to play politics by padding the city's payroll.

GOOD DOCTRINE FOR HONOLULU

"The demand from the outside is that you should have good health here. In order to have good health you must have good water, good sewerage, and a good sanitary harbor. You must eradicate the mosquito and the fly. If there is any question of quarantine, ships will give Honolulu a wide berth."—Admiral Ross, at Commercial Club luncheon.

That's good doctrine and sound doctrine for Honolulu to follow.

The board of harbor commissioners is making active preparations for the development of Honolulu's harbor, so that this port may be ready for the tide of traffic that will flow hither after the Panama canal is opened to the ships of the world. But the board of harbor commissioners can at best do only a small part of the work that is to be done. The board can provide wharves for thousand-foot vessels, as Admiral Ross suggests, but it cannot fight the mosquito, furnish good water or establish a coal supply.

These things must be done by other territorial and municipal officials, and the progress of Honolulu and all Hawaii demands that they be done quickly.

And behind the work of the public officials there must be the steady, cordial, sympathetic and powerful cooperation of the people of Hawaii. They must clear the path for Greater Honolulu. They must clear it by putting in office men who can see beyond petty politics and selfish interest to the really great destiny of this city as the focus of all the mighty commerce of the Pacific.

LaFollette says that Roosevelt is "an obstruction in the path of the Progressive movement." There seems no question that he was an obstruction in the path of LaFollette.

A Chicago minister refers to ex-Senator Lorimer as "the Job of modern times." Job or job?

Roosevelt's campaign opened at Providence, whose help he is likely to need before it closes.

PERSONALITIES

W. O. SMITH returned in the Mauna Kea this morning from a business trip to Hawaii and Maui ports.

SAMUEL JOHNSON, the Puna lumberman, is a visitor to Honolulu, having arrived in the Mauna Kea this morning.

J. A. URICE of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will arrive here Monday to assume the duties of office secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

PROF. E. H. FARRINGTON of Madison, Wis., is booked as a passenger for San Francisco in the Oceanic S. S. Sierra, to sail for the Coast on August 24.

C. K. NOTLEY was among the politicians who journeyed to the capital in the steamer Mauna Kea, which arrived from Hilo, and way ports this morning.

WILLIAM GITT, formerly a Manila, P. I., business man, who has spent some weeks in Hawaii, is leaving for the mainland in the Oceanic steamship Sierra.

H. GOODING FIELD, having completed his labors in auditing the books maintained by the county of Hawaii, returned to Honolulu in the steamer Mauna Kea.

ELMER G. CASE, secretary and treasurer of the Case & Martin Company, Chicago, is stopping at the Moana Hotel, being an arrival on yesterday's steamer.

JAMES T. T. SCHÖENING, former machinist with C. T. Schoening and Co. is now working for the Kahului Railroad in the roundhouse. The family are still living in Kahului.

C. C. KENNEDY, formerly manager of Waiakoa plantation, on Hawaii, with Mrs. Kennedy, is planning an extensive trip to the mainland. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy will depart for San Francisco next Saturday in the Oceanic steamship Sierra.

MISS EVELYN SCOTT and Albert Hall, of Waukegan, Illinois, and Mr. Carr, of Urbana, Illinois, the latter two recent graduates from the University of Illinois, were arrivals on the steamship Marana, and are the guests of Mrs. S. M. Starrett at her Young street home.

LEONARD PARISH, clerk of the third watch at the police station, has resigned from the department and will leave for the volcano. His place will be filled by Turakau Iauka.

DR. CHARLES W. KENT, professor of English literature in the University of Virginia, who is spending the summer in Honolulu, upon the invitation of Rev. D. C. Peters, will preach at the Christian church at the eleven o'clock service tomorrow morning.

HENRY NEUBAR, who has been in the employ of the Wailuku Sugar Company for some four years on the Waikapu division, left recently for the Philippines, where he has been offered a good position as assistant manager of a projected plantation for raising sugar at Mindoro. The opportunity seems most attractive, and Mr. Neubar is looking forward with pleasure to the work before him. It is said that there are some 18,000 acres under cultivation by the Havemeyers, who are interested in the company for which Mr. Neubar will work. T. B. Rodgers, who has been timekeeper on the Wailuku plantation for about a year, left at the same time for the Philippines.

DECLARES CHAPERONS USELESS APPENDAGES

Belle J. Brittan, the San Mateo Heiress, Travels Without a "Lady Bugaboo"

LOS ANGELES, August 1.—"Chaperons and everything likened thereto are useless appendages to society," declared Miss Belle J. Brittan, the San Mateo heiress, today. "We call them bugaboo ladies up north because their presence, or even mention of them, raises a cold chill."

The subject was brought up because Miss Brittan has come to Long Beach to pass her summer vacation at the Hotel Virginia and has come independently and alone. She says it is the first time she has left her home without a chaperon, but she will never have one again. The wealthy daughter of the late Colonel Nathaniel J. Brittan is able to take care of herself.

"The world would be better if all chaperons were made to walk the plank," she continued. "Many a happy flirtation has become snowed out because of the persistent presence of a lantern-visaged friend."

"American womanhood is not in need of chaperons. Let the decent English aristocracy keep these melon-faced dames as part and parcel of it. As for America, I have abandoned an ancient custom of our earthy use whatever, and I trust that every American girl of mediocre intelligence will do likewise."

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LITTLE INTERVIEWS

MR. AND MRS. FRANK C. ATHERTON are passengers on the Mauna Kea today for Hawaii, where they will spend several weeks, visiting the Volcano on the trip.

R. D. WALL—We are still receiving inquiries regularly regarding onion-raising in Hawaii. Some of these letters come from remote parts of Canada and the writers all expect to get rich in a few weeks.

GEORGE WELLS—I can't understand how a man can have the "crust" to contest a "heedless driving" case after he has caused a collision, by tearing along the wrong side of the road at a speed of thirty-five miles an hour.

JOSHUA TUCKER—J. P. Cooke, Charles Hustace and Joseph Andrade, who comprised the board of appraisers that set values on the Punchbowl tract, are entitled to great praise from the people actively interested and from the general public. They had a very difficult job, but they handled it fairly, conscientiously, and dealt justice to all.

REV. A. A. EBERSOLE—The attendance at the union Sunday evening services has been flattering and shows that people are beginning to realize the pettiness of the denominational lines. It is the large attendance at the last two meetings that made the committee decide to continue the Sunday evening meetings at the Eljion into September instead of terminating them with August, as was the original intention. The good attendance that has been the rule at the meetings is due mainly to the excellence and the common-sense, philosophy of Dr. Goodspeed's sermons.

\$112,000 INCREASE IN WEEK'S SALES

There was a better run of business than for several days on the Stock Exchange board this morning, and it followed a larger volume of recess sales than has appeared for a week or so.

Onomea shows a gain of an eighth, Pioneer the same, Pineapple a quarter and Brewery an eighth, while Olua is down a half point and Ewa a quarter. Stocks holding yesterday's quotations are Oahu, Waiakoa and McBryde.

Onomea sold in three blocks of 50 shares each for 58. Olua brought 7 for 75 shares in three unequal lots. Fifty shares of Oahu in three unequal lots sold at 27.75. Pineapple is 43.25 for 70 and 60 shares. Waiakoa stands at 126 for 25 shares. McBryde, for 50, 15 and 35 shares, is 6.50. Ewa is at 31.50 for a total of 25 shares, and Pioneer 34.25 for 100 and 30 shares. Brewery reached 21.125 for 5 shares.

Bonds are represented by a block of \$10,000 Hilo Extension sixes at 94.75.

For the week ended at noon today the sales of stocks and bonds amounted to \$196,538.25, against \$83,733 for the week ended on Saturday last, or an increase of \$112,805.25, as compared with a decrease of \$63,362.75 for last week from the previous week's record.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The display will be shown at the annual gathering of the international congress of hygiene and demography, to be held at the national capital next month.

The Dowsett company has deeded to the city and county of Honolulu a small strip of land along upper Nuanu street which is to be used for street-widening purposes.

The Pacific Engineering Company has been granted permission to erect a fence on Merchant and King street in front of the premises whereon a new building is soon to rise in which to house the offices of a moving paper.

Supervisor Eben Low told the supervisors last night that the pheasants recently imported from Japan had been liberated near Kaneohe, where it is believed they would better become acclimated and at the same time be protected from hunters.

An exhibit containing eighty-eight large photographs, all neatly framed, showing interesting and highly instructive views of sanitary conditions and improvements in the islands, has been prepared by the Board of Health and will be shipped next Wednesday to Washington, D. C.

Ed. Towse appeared before the Board of Supervisors last night with the request that something be done toward the improvement of Queen Emma Park on Upper Nuanu avenue. He suggested that the Board instruct the engineer to lay out a roadway through the tract and that the work of building the roadway would be done by prison labor. The matter was finally disposed of by the engineer being requested to take immediate action.

NO MONEY FOR P. O. LOCK BOXES PRATT INFORMED

On account of Congress' failure to make the necessary appropriation, there will be no relief from the present scarcity of lock boxes now being experienced at the Honolulu postoffice, according to a letter received yesterday by Postmaster Pratt from the Postmaster-General's office at Washington.

The letter was in answer to one sent by the local postmaster some weeks ago, regarding the scarcity of lock boxes and the continually increasing number of applications for them.

According to the answer received at the postoffice yesterday, Congress passed an appropriation equal to "one-twelfth of the appropriation of the last fiscal year for 'vaults, safes and locks and public buildings.'"

Explanation was made that this sum had been practically expended for safes required for the protection of government funds and exigency expenditures and that there would be no funds available for lock boxes until later on in the fall.

The conclusion of the letter is as follows:

"It is considered that a necessity exists for additional boxes in the Honolulu building and attention will be given to putting them in when the appropriation will permit. With this end in view, this department will take

the matter up with the postmaster, who is also custodian of the building at Honolulu, to secure the necessary data on which plans and specifications may be prepared for this department so that the boxes may be ordered and bids secured for their installation."

This communication is the latest of a correspondence which extends back over a long period of time regarding increasing the number of lock boxes for which Postmaster Pratt declares there is a large demand.

SOME WORK TO DO

By E. S. GOODRUE

You're lazy, Sam.
The very way you talk,
An' walk,
An' jam
Them 'taters in the sack;
You've got it bad.
Ef you don't quit, my lad,
Prosperity in her great flight
Won't never once alight
In your back yard,
An' all you hev will git the die-back.

Yes, pard,
It may seem hard
To hev to circumnavigate
An' dig the other feller's bait,
Or stan' awaitin' at the gate
To let the rest pass through in state.

But, lad,
Work's not so bad,
Ef you jes' take a-holt right smart,
With all your muscle an' your heart!
Someway I fin'
It helps my min'
When pesky things a-worryin' it.
An' when I'm blue,
I jes' tell you
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